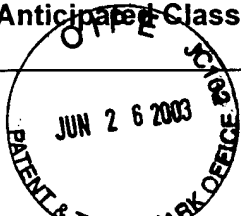
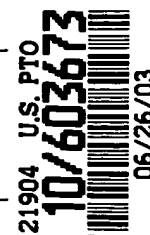


**DIVISION-CONTINUATION PROGRAM
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Attorney's Docket No. 5596 A

Docket Number	Anticipated Classification Of This Application		Prior Application	Former Art Unit
5596A		Subclass: Unknown	Former Examiner: K. Kerns	1725



To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.60, of pending prior application Serial No. 09/806,864 filed on July 9, 2001, of Jean-Claude Roze et al for POLYURETHANE BASED BINDER SYSTEM FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF FOUNDRY CORES AND MOLDS.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventor signed prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the latest inventor signed prior application Serial No. 09/806,864 as originally filed on July 9, 2001, and further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

2. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	15	0	18.00	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	5	2	84.00	168.00
MULTIPLE CLAIMS	1	1	280.00	280.00
		BASIC FEE		750.00
		TOTAL FILING FEE		1,198.00

3. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. #01-2530. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
5. ☐ Cancel in this application original claims ___ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
6. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This application is a ☒ continuation, ☐ division, of Application Serial No. 09/806,864 filed on July 9, 2001.

7. ☐ Transfer the drawings from the pending prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in prior application file. (May only be used if signed by person authorized by §1.138 and before payment of base issue fee.)

a. ☐ New form drawings are enclosed.

b. ☒ Priority of PCT application PCT/EP99/08419 filed on November 4, 1999 and German patent application DE 198 50 833 filed on November 4, 1998 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

☒ Certified copies of the priority documents were filed with the PCT/EP99/08419 filed on November 4, 1999.

8. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Ashland Sudchemie Kernfest.

9. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

10. ☐ Also enclosed

11. ☒ The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to

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a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

c. ☒ Address all future communications: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record)

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June 23, 2003
(Date)

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